



CONSULTATIVE MEETING OF THE MEMBERS OF THE INNER NORTH WEST COMMUNITY COMMITTEE

Meeting to be held remotely* on Wednesday, 5 January 2022
at 6.00 p.m.

MEMBERSHIP

A Garthwaite – Headingley & Hyde Park
J Pryor – Headingley & Hyde Park
N Walshaw – Headingley & Hyde Park

J Akhtar (Chair) – Little London & Woodhouse
K Brooks – Little London & Woodhouse
A Marshall Katung – Little London & Woodhouse

J Bentley – Weetwood
E Flint - Weetwood
C Howley – Weetwood

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3			<p>OPEN FORUM</p> <p>In order to facilitate the Open Forum, the process has been adapted so that members of the public are invited to make written submissions in advance of the meeting on any matter which falls within the Committee's terms of reference. These will be read out under the agenda item and considered by the Community Committee.</p>	
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DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Inner North West
Community Committee is scheduled to be held on
Wednesday, 30 March 2022 at 6.00 p.m.

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INNER NORTH WEST COMMUNITY COMMITTEE

WEDNESDAY, 29TH SEPTEMBER, 2021

PRESENT: Councillor J Akhtar in the Chair

Councillors K Brooks, E Flint, A Garthwaite,
C Howley, J Pryor and N Walshaw

1 Appeals Against Refusal of Inspection of Documents

There were no appeals against the refusal of inspection of documents.

2 Exempt Information - Possible Exclusion of Press and Public

There were no exempt items.

3 Late Items

There were no formal late items. However, some supplementary information (Minute No.11 refers) in the form of additional Wellbeing applications, was circulated to members prior to the meeting.

4 Declaration of Interests

No interests were raised at the meeting.

5 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received on behalf of Councillor A Marshall-Katung and Councillor J Bentley.

6 Minutes

RESOLVED – That the minutes of the previous meeting held 11 March 2021 and the consultative notes from the meeting held 15 July 2021, be approved as accurate records.

7 Appointment to an Outside Body - Leeds Bradford Airport Consultative Committee

The report of the City Solicitor sought the Committee's consideration of an appointment to an Outside Body for the Leeds Bradford Airport Consultative Committee (LBACC). This matter was previously discussed at the Inner North West Community Committee in March 2019 following a request for representation made by the North Hyde Park Neighbourhood Association.

LBACC felt that an additional Councillor from the Inner North West Community Committee would be appropriate, and a Community and Local Engagement appointment will be beneficial in terms of leading, engaging and supporting the community from a ward perspective.

The Community Committee unanimously supported and confirmed the nomination of Councillor N Walshaw to the LBACC.

RESOLVED –

- a) To note the recommendation made by Member Management Committee on 16th July 2021 in respect of appointments to LBACC.
- b) To appoint Councillor N Walshaw to the LBACC.

8 City Plan Engagement

The Head of Locality Partnerships submitted a report that introduced a verbal update on the development of a City Plan for Leeds in the Inner North West Community Committee Area and an opportunity for input from elected members and residents to feed into the Plan.

The following were in attendance for this item:

- Councillor J Dowson, Deputy Executive Member for the Leader's Portfolio
- Amy Beswick, Policy Officer

Councillor Dowson provided some context behind the development of a new City Plan, replacing the Best Council Plan that was launched ten years ago. It was noted that there have been significant changes since the last Plan locally, nationally, and globally. The next steps of the plan were highlighted, in terms focused work with organisations and the consultation process.

The Policy Officer in attendance provided members with a presentation that set out key ambitions and drivers which will help shape the new plan, and then sought feedback from Members on their priorities for Leeds and in particular, the Inner North West Community Committee area for the next ten years.

Members discussed priority themes in terms of the biggest issues for the Inner North West Community Committee area. They were relayed as follows:

- *Addressing health inequalities.* Members commented that the pandemic exacerbated inequalities in the most deprived areas and emphasised the need to reduce the life expectancy gap, as well as ensuring homes in the public and private rented sector are up to standard. It was suggested that the Council work with the Leeds Poverty Truth Commission on their findings and to collaboratively work with groups in the community that are able to put forward schemes to benefit residents. Concerns were also relayed in terms of addressing mental health, and the funding limitations to provide support to parents and youth work provision.

- *Educational attainment, skills, and good employment.* Members discussed disparities across the city and recognised that training and educating young people in the most deprived areas of the city, are a key issue for Leeds and commented that the plan should aim to work with key partners such as the universities and public sector organisations to ensure good quality, high paid jobs.
- *Transport options and reliability.* Whilst it was acknowledged that trends with transport use have changed due to increased home working, members commented that accessing transport remains an issue and the focus of the plan should aim to address increasing routes to ensure residents are able to access places of work, education, and health facilities across the city.

RESOLVED – To note the contents of the report, together with members comments.

(Councillor A Garthwaite and Councillor J Pryor arrived during discussion of this item)

9 Open Forum

In order to facilitate the Open Forum whilst Community Committees were being held remotely, the process had been adapted so that members of the public were able to submit written representations in advance of the meeting on any matter which fell within the Committee's terms of reference. Now that meetings resume in person, approximately 12 local residents attended the meeting and were invited to make representations.

Councillor N Walshaw commented on the rise in anti-social behaviour issues affecting the Headingley and Hyde Park area and proposed that a forum be arranged that will include Community Committee Members, residents' groups, Universities of Leeds, relevant responsible authorities, West Yorkshire Police, landlords and Faith Leader. The Chair requested that a Terms of Reference for the forum be established. Community Committee Members unanimously agreed to this approach and it was noted that details regarding confirmed representatives, the venue and dates will be confirmed in due course.

The Community Committee noted a deferred representation from the meeting held 15th July 2021, the submission was received from Leeds Residents Anti-Social Behaviour Group and read:

The Headingley and Hyde Park area have over 10,000 HMO, Student properties. Due to students been exempt from paying Council tax rates, the Council receives a subsidy from the government to cover the loss of Council tax rates on these 10,000 HMO Properties. Can this subsidy be ring fenced for Headingley and Hyde Park area to help go towards the cost of providing enhanced council services in the area e.g., Extra ASB Teams, street cleaning and refuse collections, removing graffiti etc to help to try and improve the area that council rate payers have to live in.

A written response will be provided to the Leeds Residents Anti-Social Behaviour Group, as well as a briefing note provided by Central Finance that will also be shared with members regarding compensation given to Leeds City Council in relation to student exemptions for Council Tax.

Residents from the Headingley and Hyde Park area, raised a number of issues relating to ASB and highlighted the following matters:

- The limitation of resources to tackle issues with students in the locality, mainly relating to noise and broader issues regarding the 'Otley Run'. Residents felt that the issues they're facing, are having a detrimental impact on their mental health;
- The ownership of Leeds Universities for their students, and clarity on additional funding provided by Universities for additional security measures;
- Concerns were relayed regarding the Public Space Protection Order (PSPO) in Headingley, and Hyde Park not being enforced, and residents queried whether there are any patrols in the area;
- Issues surrounding Headingley Cricket Ground in relation to urination, drugs, and coaches parking across residents' drives. Additionally, it was commented that there are a lack of marshals patrolling the area and increased noise issues when the stadium is hosting events such as boxing. Further to this, Councillor A Garthwaite explained that following conversations with the Cricket Ground, it was confirmed that additional marshalling will be provided, and anti-urination paint will be used.

John McKimmings, ASB Team Manager responded to the variety of issues raised and confirmed matters can be picked up more widely in the proposed ASB forum. John outlined the role of the PSPO and how they're enforced, as well as confirming that the police have carried out seizures and challenged groups of people causing issues.

Sarah McLean, Coordinator for Litter Free Leeds was in attendance and read out her written submission as follows:

Hyde Park is one of the areas in Leeds that is suffering from gross neglect which is resulting in anti-social behaviour. Can the Inner North West Area Committee please provide an update on why enforcement action appears not to be taking place and to provide a detailed report on what action they do intend to take to turn around what is a failing area within the City.

The issue is clear –

- Bins not being emptied on a regular basis resulting in them overflowing onto the pavements. One student house claimed that their bins hadn't been collected since July.
- Rotting bags of food waste left by the side of waste bins attracting foxes and vermin who break into them and disperse the contents more widely
- A couple of Litter Free Leeds volunteers have taken it upon themselves to try and tidy up the area, but this is unsustainable mainly due to the unacceptable level of overflowing bins

- The large recycling bins in certain parts of Hyde Park fill up very quickly and the contents again spill out onto the pavements
 - The Council litter bins are in the main in a very poor condition and certainly don't look welcoming and inviting to use to dispose of litter
 - Discarded cigarette butts, broken glass and fast-food packaging can be seen everywhere
 - The presence of so much graffiti is also increasing littering in that it generally weakens the establishment of anti-littering norms and attracts drug dealers to the area
 - Bin stores are again very neglected and are used as dumping grounds for unwanted items with no-one appearing to take responsibility for them again showing signs of urban disorder and neighbourhood decay
 - Paths and paving are full of weeds again showing signs of neglect.
- The whole area needs to be drastically improved to ensure a safe place to live, visit and work.

John Woolmer, Chief Officer Environmental Services (LCC) was in attendance to respond to the submission provided by the Coordinator for Litter Free Leeds and confirmed a written response will be provided to Sarah outside of the meeting. John explained that there are a number of matters that need addressing, and it was confirmed there is already particular focus in the Headingley and Hyde Park area. It was acknowledged that a re-design of routes on a city-wide basis are being considered, as well as considerations around smaller refuse vehicles, electric vehicles, and additional staff. It was confirmed that the Inner North West Community Committee area will be an initial priority as well as high-rise properties and the Harehills area. John suggested to attend the proposed forum in relation to ASB.

RESOLVED –

- a) To note the submissions provided, written and oral, together with the information provided on behalf of Environmental Services and the Leeds Anti-Social Behaviour Team.
- b) To note that, in conjunction with Community Committee members and the relevant parties referenced above, a forum will be arranged and Chaired by Councillor N Walshaw to discuss a range of ASB issues, particularly in the Headingley and Hyde Park area. Details will be confirmed in due course with the intention of the first meeting be held in October 2021.

(Councillor C Howley vacated the meeting at 19:40, during consideration of this item)

10 Library Service Update

The report of the Chief Officer Community Hubs, Welfare and Business Support provided the Inner North West Community Committee with an overview of the activity of Leeds Libraries during the past 18 months and outlined key priorities for the service as part of the Service Recovery Strategy.

The following were in attendance for this item:

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to be held on Thursday, 6th January, 2022

- Andrea Ellison, Chief Librarian
- Kate Midwood, Senior Librarian

The Chief Librarian informed members that the report provided a city-wide overview on changes to the structure of the service and schemes / projects that have taken place during the pandemic such as digital services, as well as an update on the services key priorities over the coming months. Members were informed that a service update on a more local basis will be provided at the Inner North West Community Committee next year.

In response to Member's questions, the following information was highlighted:

- The importance of ensuring children are engaging in activities over school breaks. Members heard the Library Service are keen to increase the number of children participating and are introducing a 'Reception Leading Stars project'.
- To ensure residents and elected members are informed of the services offered and whether advertisements in relation to digital support can be put on bin lorries across the city. Councillor J Pryor confirmed that he will seek further clarity on how the service can seek funding. The Chief Librarian also confirmed that information can be provided to members via briefings, and information can be passed onto the Localities Team to publish info on the Community Committee FB pages.
- Digital support sessions will be provided online from the 18th October 2021, and there are plans for weekly sessions at Central Libraries.
- Clarity sought on information relating to business start-up grants will be provided to Councillor K Brooks following the meeting.

RESOLVED –

- To note the contents of the report and verbal update, along with members comments.
- To note the intention to receive a regular update on services within the Inner North West Committee area, at future meetings.

11 Inner North West Community Committee - Finance Report

The report of the Head of Locality Partnerships presented the Community Committee with an update on the budget position for the Wellbeing Fund, Youth Activity Fund, Capital Budget as well as the Community Infrastructure Levy Budget for 2021/22.

Details of additional Wellbeing applications for consideration, had been circulated to members and published prior to the meeting.

The projects set out in the submitted report, and supplementary information were discussed, and agreed as follows:

Project title	Wards	Amount requested	Decision
All Hallows/Rainbow Junktion	Headingley & Hyde Park	£7,000 (Capital) & £28,000 (CIL)	Agreed

Draft minutes to be approved at the meeting to be held on Thursday, 6th January, 2022

Art Camp Half Terms & Christmas	Little London & Woodhouse and Headingley & Hyde Park	£3,375 (Wellbeing)	Agreed
Unorthobox	Weetwood	£500 (Capital)	Agreed
Dress For Success	Little London & Woodhouse, Headingley & Hyde Park and Weetwood	£500 (Wellbeing)	Agreed
Dance Sessions at The Cardigan Community Centre	Little London & Woodhouse and Headingley & Hyde Park	£749 (Wellbeing)	Agreed

Members received the following information:

- An update on the Wellbeing Fund. A full breakdown and projects were provided at Table 1 of the submitted report. The remaining balance is £5,665.41.
- Covid Funding 2021/22 remaining balances per ward.
- An update on the Youth Activities Fund.
- A breakdown of the Small Grants & Skips budget 2021/22.
- The Capital budget for 2021/22 and an update on the remaining balance being £21,142.47.
- The Community Infrastructure Levy budget for 2021/22 and as summarised in Table 5 of the submitted report. The remaining balance is £121,867.78.

RESOLVED – To note and approve:

- a) The projects as outlined above
- b) Details of the Wellbeing Budget position (Table 1)
- c) Review the minimum conditions
- d) Monitoring information of its funded projects
- e) Details of the Youth Activities Fund (Table 2)
- f) Details of the Small Grants and Skips Budget (Table 3)
- g) Details of the Capital Budget (Table 4)
- h) Details of Community infrastructure Levy (Table 5)

12 Inner North West Community Committee Update Report

The report of the Head of Locality Partnerships provided the Community Committee with an update on the work which the Communities Team was engaged in, based on priorities identified by the Community Committee. It also provided an opportunity for further questioning, or to request a more detailed report on a particular issue.

The Localities Officer presented the report and briefly provided an update in terms of the Environmental Sub-groups focus on graffiti in Hyde Park and the intention to deliver workshops across schools to receive wider engagement from children across the Inner North West Community Committee area.

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to be held on Thursday, 6th January, 2022

It was noted that the report detailed projects that had been delivered over the summer period.

RESOLVED – To note the contents of the report.

CHAIRS CLOSING REMARKS

The Chair thanked all for their attendance, particularly the local residents for addressing their concerns and assurance was provided that issues raised will be addressed by working with partners.

13 Date and Time of Next Meeting

RESOLVED – To note the date and time of the next meeting as Thursday, 6th January 2022 at 6 pm.

(The meeting concluded at 20.25)



Report of: Simon Swift – Executive Manager
Report to: Inner North West Community Committee
Report author: Jeremy Lunn – Group Operations Manager
Telephone No: 07891272230

Date: 5th January 2022 **To Note**

Title: Highways – Winter Service Update

Purpose of report

1. To provide the Inner North West Community Committee with an update on the Highways Service, and to gather input from elected members and residents.

Main issues

2. The report and presentation are intended to provide the Inner North West Community Committee with an update of the Highways Service, following a recent winter service review.
3. The report focusses specifically on the winter service fulfilled by Highways, including snow clearance and road gritting.
4. The report and presentation provide the Inner North West Community Committee with an overview of the Winter Service website, linking the discussion to local issues relevant to the specific Committee area.
5. The agenda item also provides elected member and the public with the opportunity to provide feedback to the Highways Service relating to the winter provision offered, and approaches to communication and engagement going forward.

Recommendations

6. Elected Members are asked to note the contents of the report and presentation that will be provided by officers from the Highways team.

Highways & Transportation



Winter Service Overview,
including the launch of our new
'Live Gritting Tracker'.





Winter Service Plan



The Winter Service Plan Includes:

- **Leeds City Councils Duty (The Highways Act 1980)**
- **Gritting of roads**
- **Refilling of Salt Bins**
- **Snow Ploughing and Clearing.**



Did You Know?

During the Winter Maintenance Period:



Our gritters drive on average 51,200 miles during the Winter Period, which equates to driving around the circumference of the Earth twice!

Between 12,800 and 16,000 tonnes of salt is used to grit the roads in Leeds



How Do We Decide Where To Grit?



Category 1A - The Resilient Salting Network (RSN)
- Emergency Routes leading to hospitals and major infrastructure.



Category 1 - The Primary Salting Network (PSN)
*- Cat 1 roads
- Bus routes
- School links*



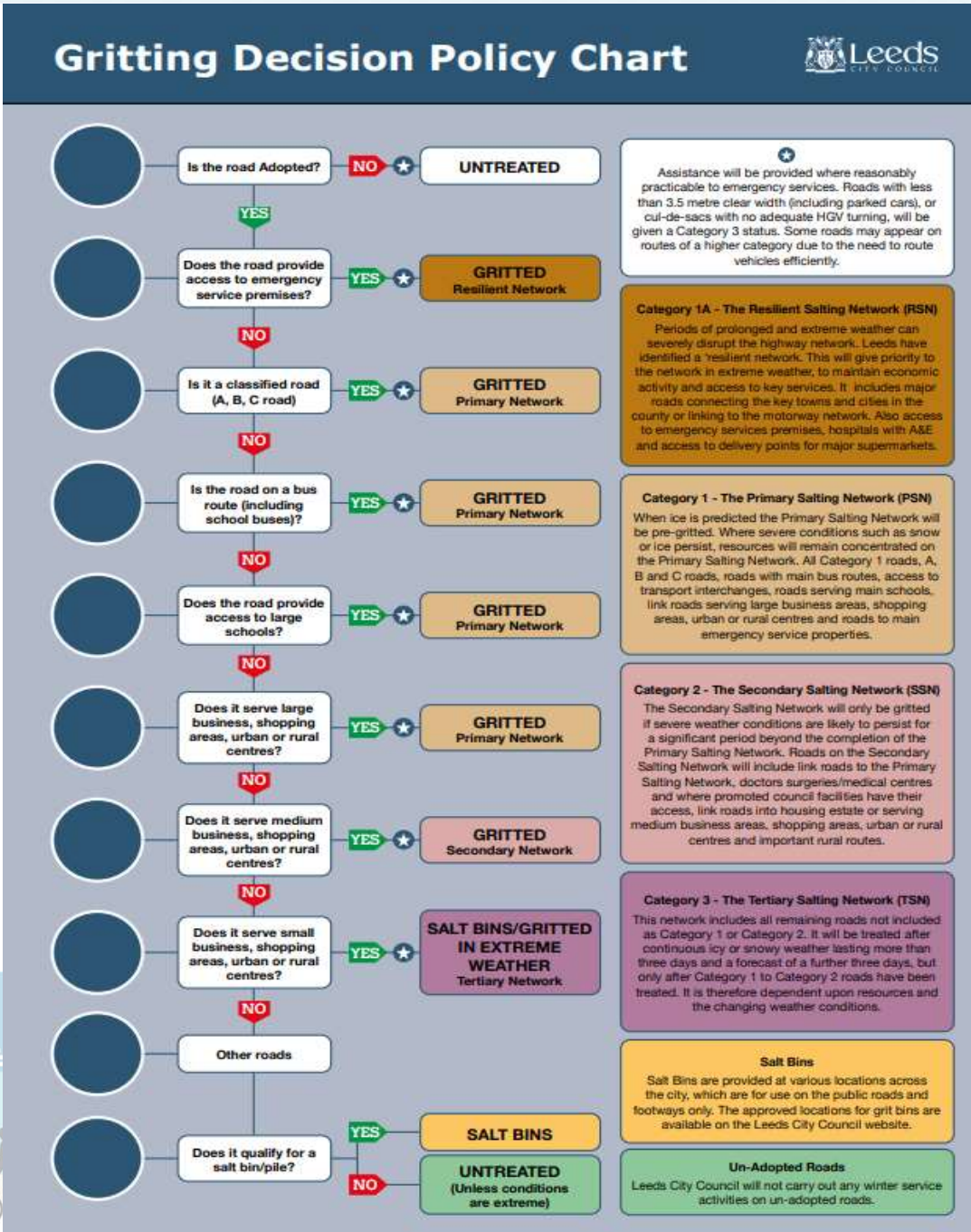
Category 2 - The Secondary Salting Network (SSN)
*- Medium business areas.
- Shopping areas
- Dr surgery/medical centres.*

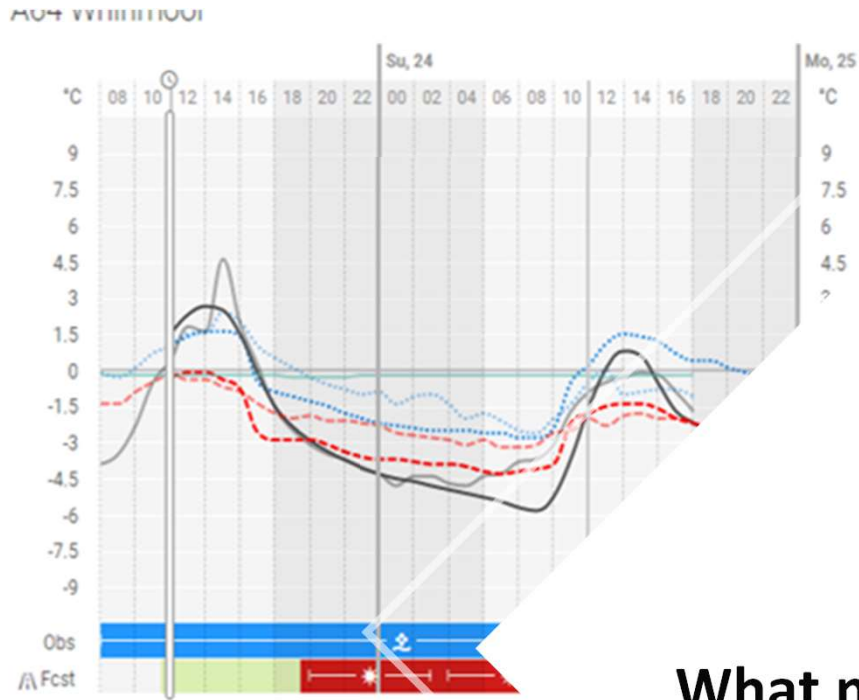


Category 3 - The Tertiary Salting Network (TSN)
*- Not Cat 1 or 2.
- Remaining roads.
- Dependent on resources*



How Do We Decide Where and When To Grit?





What methods do we use to assist us?



Why develop a Gritting Tracker?



Helps support the economy, by giving citizens and visitors to Leeds the tools to choose safe driving routes.



Reduce road traffic accidents by letting people make informed decisions about which routes they choose.



Helps reduce call times and pressures on the contact centre.

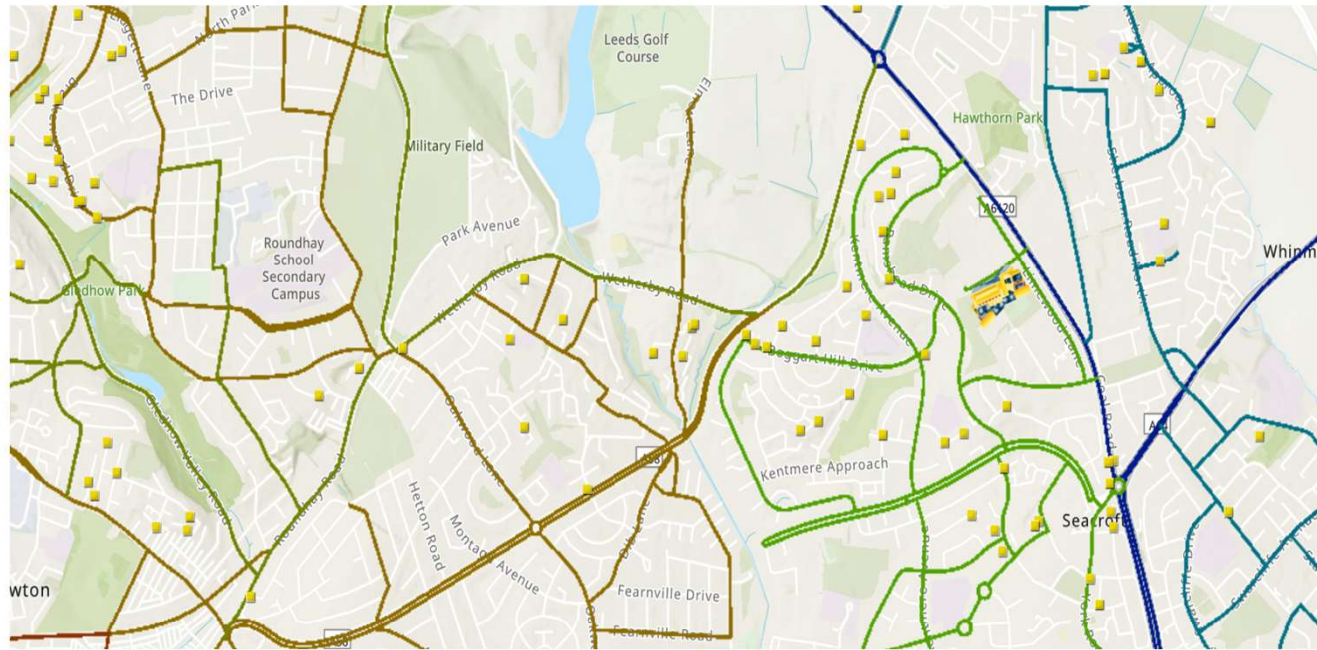


The Gritting Tracker will support Leeds City Councils ambition for a more digital infrastructure



The gritting tracker will help support citizens to access medical care, hospital appointments and support services safely.





Now we will have a [live](#) demonstration of the service.

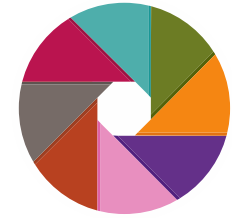


How Will We Promote The Gritting Tracker?



What next?





Thank You Any Questions?





Report of: Chief Officer for Sustainable Energy and Air Quality

Report to: Inner North West Community Committee

Report author: Polly Cook - Chief Officer Sustainable Energy & AQ

Date: 5th January 2022

To Note

Title: Climate Emergency Update 2021

Purpose of report

1. To provide the Inner North West Community Committee with a presentation on the council's updated climate emergency strategy and progress.

Main issues

2. The PowerPoint presentation is provided at the specific request of the Chair.
3. The presentation will provide an update on the council's climate emergency strategy and recent progress to reduce emissions. This will include an overview of measures being taken to retrofit homes and buildings, installation of electric vehicle infrastructure and biodiversity measures such as tree planting. Information about what measures are taking place locally will also be shared.
4. Discussions will also include an overview and insight in the White Rose Forest Strategy for Leeds.
5. There will be an opportunity for elected members to provide suggestions for their locality and to ask questions.

Recommendations

6. The Inner North West Community Committee is asked to note the contents of the presentation.

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Climate emergency update
Sustainable Energy & Air Quality Team

Summary: What's happening in your area?



Public Sector Decarbonisation

- Civic Hall and City Museum will receive LED lighting, radiator & BMS improvements, and will be connected to the PIPES network.
- Central Library and Gallery will receive radiator & BMS improvements and will be connected to the PIPES network.
- Town Hall will receive LED lighting, radiator & BMS improvements, double glazed windows and will be connected to the PIPES network.
- Tribeca House will receive LED lighting and solar panels.
- Rosebank Primary School will receive an air source heat pump and solar panels.

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Improving the energy efficiency of housing

Homeowners on low incomes are still eligible to receive free solar panels and/or insulation if they live in an inefficient home (EPC D or lower) and have a household income of £30,000 or less.

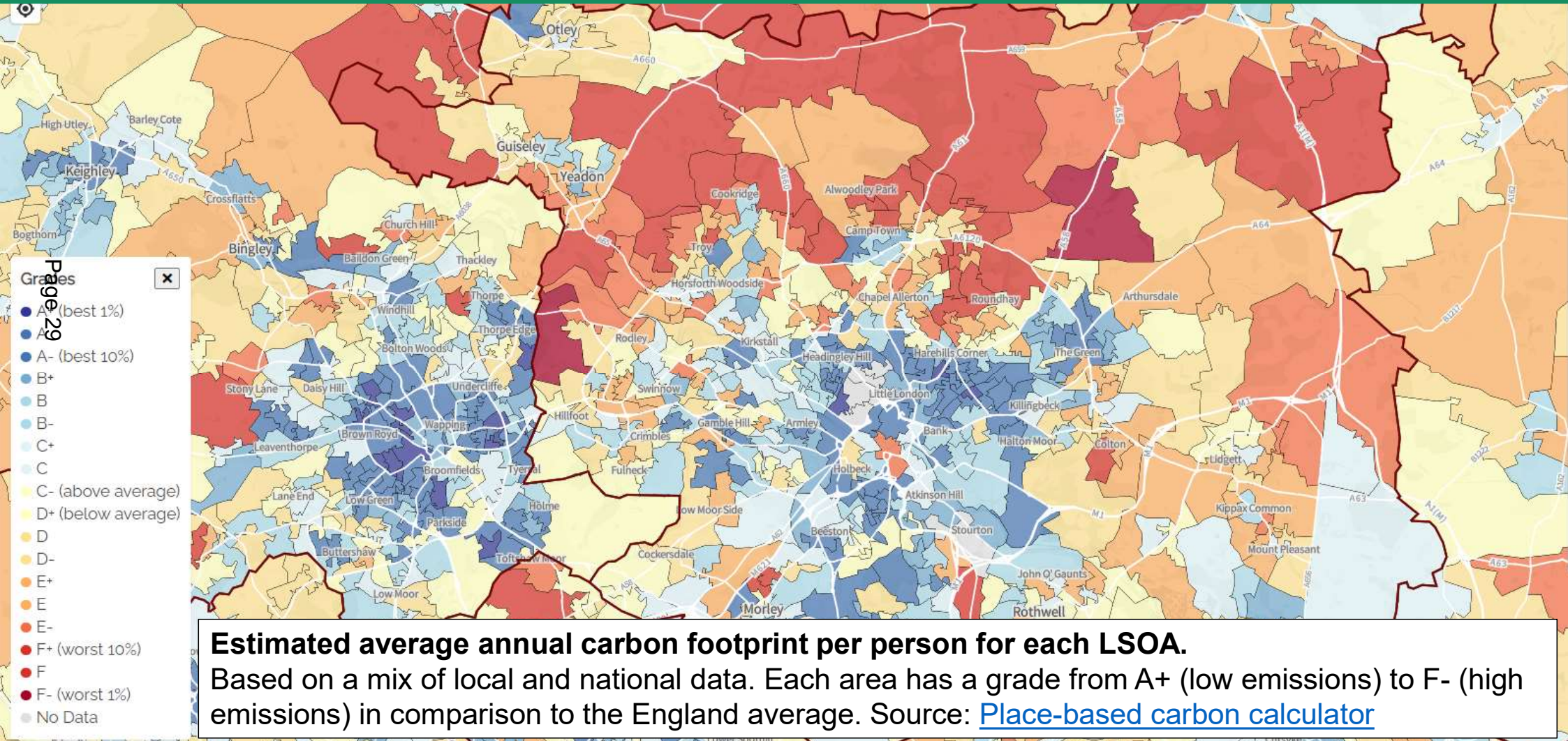
- Landlords with inefficient homes (EPC D or lower) can receive subsidies of two-thirds of the cost of installing solar panels and/or insulation (up to £5,000) if the property's tenants earn less than £30,000.

Electric vehicle trials

- Multiple businesses/charities in your area have already completed their trial of an electric van.
- Three rapid EVCPs have or will soon be installed at Burley Road Car Park (LL&W), Kirkstall Leisure Centre and Kirkstall Road Car Park (LL&W) thanks to a joint LCC/WYCA scheme in partnership with ENGIE.

Please note: The above summarises recent work led by SEAQ team. There are many other projects led by other council teams (e.g. Housing, Parks and Countryside) making a positive difference across the city.

Summary: Carbon emissions for your area



Air quality update

- Leeds' air quality at key points is now significantly below legal limits.
- The aims of the CAZ have been met early, without a single vehicle being charged. Businesses have upgraded to less polluting vehicles faster than expected as a result of the Clean Air Zone and other initiatives.
- A joint review between council, government and independent experts concluded that it is not likely to exceed legal limits for air pollution at key points ever again—even if traffic increased 5% beyond pre-pandemic levels.
- In July, Executive Board has approved a new Air Quality Strategy with an aim of meeting new, stricter air pollution targets based on WHO guidelines.
- Our strategy includes actions to tackle air pollution from transport, home, industry and agriculture.
- We will also work with the health and care sector to ensure that the most vulnerable residents understand how best to protect themselves from pollutants.



Summary: How you can support



1. Help promote free solar PV/insulation offer before funding runs out

Low income homeowners (and landlords with low income tenants) could be eligible for FREE solar panels and/or insulation. Hundreds are already benefiting, but we still have funding for another 100.

2. Help promote free electric bike trials scheme

Leeds residents can borrow an electric bike for up to a month if they make 3 regular journeys under 10mi each week. Scheme ends after March.

3. Help promote support for tree planting to large landowners/farmers

Landowners and farmers in Leeds can receive support and expert advice from the White Rose Forest partnership for tree planting schemes. Can you help us to make them aware?

4. Sign up for the Leeds Climate newsletter to find out what is happening in Leeds every month

We can't add recipients without their consent so please let us know if you'd like to subscribe.

5. Pilot Community Climate Action Training with Leeds DEC

Leeds DEC is piloting place-based Community Climate Action Training in Seacroft early next year. Would your area be interested in training?

Community climate action training



- Leeds DEC is piloting place-based Community Climate Action Training in Seacroft early next year. Would you area be interested in training?
- Training will bring together representatives from council, third sector, residents and local climate groups
- The projects aims -
 - To improve the confidence of people from all sectors by providing an overview of climate change and exploring how individual and collective local action can have a positive impact.
 - Bring people together from different sectors, to utilise local knowledge, power, infrastructure and passion in order to identify opportunities for positive action across the ward.
- Leeds Development Education Centre has a range of resources to help schools teach about climate change www.leedsdec.org.uk



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Citywide emissions

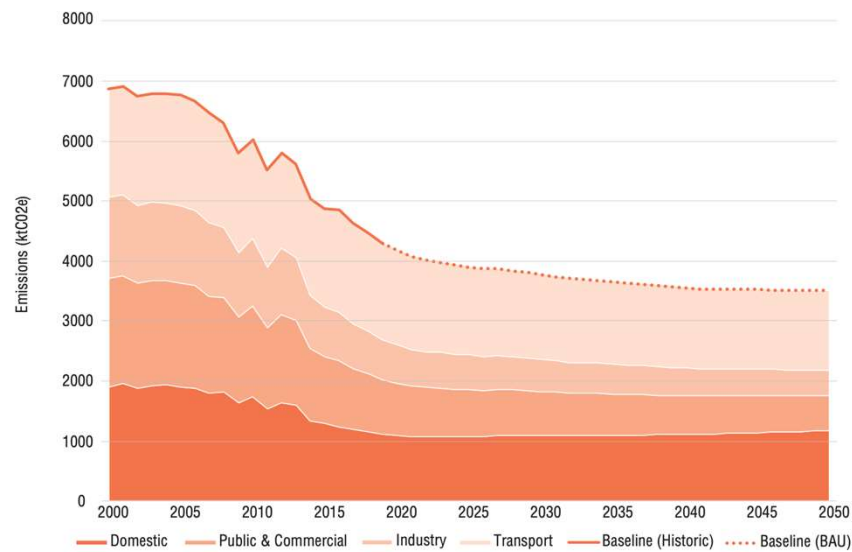


Figure 1: Leeds' Scope 1 and 2 carbon emissions (2000-2050)

Source: Leeds Climate Commission

Note: Scope 3 emissions not included in charts

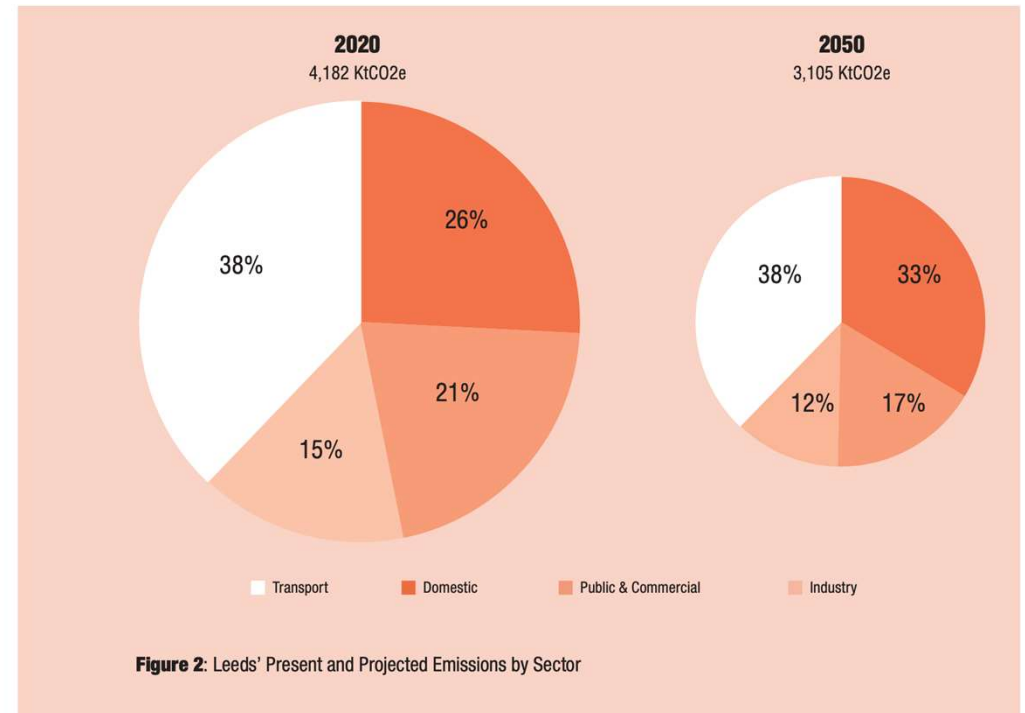


Figure 2: Leeds' Present and Projected Emissions by Sector

Citywide key aims

Becoming a carbon neutral city means working towards the following aims as quickly as possible—but more support from business, communities and national policy is needed:

1. Make buildings and technologies more energy efficient;
2. Phase out non-renewable heat and power sources in a resilient way;
3. Transition towards cleaner travel modes and technologies;
4. Pivot towards a more circular economy;
5. Clean industrial processes;
6. Protect, restore, and create green and blue spaces;
7. Offset or capture excess carbon emissions;

Whilst working towards stopping the worst impacts of climate change, Leeds should also ensure that the city is prepared and adapted for already ‘baked in’ effects of climate change.

Climate action plan: Buildings summary

- **Around half of the city's carbon footprint comes from heating and powering our buildings, particularly from those that are poorly insulated or heated by oil/gas.**
- LCC is retrofitting existing council-owned buildings by installing insulation, heat pumps, solar panels and LED lighting. We've committed to invest £100 million to improve council housing by 2025.
- We're also installing £25 million of green upgrades to install renewables and efficiency upgrades on public buildings and we're looking at ways to secure private investment to fund additional upgrades in publicly owned buildings.
- Our energy efficiency standards for new developments push sustainability and efficiency and our planning policy is currently being reviewed.
- However, national policy currently limits local authority powers and still allows developers to build inefficient buildings.



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Topic Area	Policy Areas Covered
Carbon Reduction	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Whole life carbon costs for buildings • Reducing carbon emissions from buildings • Sustainable construction • Resilience to Heat • Renewable energy generation • Heat networks • Energy storage
Flood Risk	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Flood risk • Functional floodplain • Sustainable Drainage Systems
Green Infrastructure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strategic Green Infrastructure • Trees • Green space • Biodiversity • Nature Conservation • Local Food Production
Place-making	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strategic Place-making (incl. 20- Minute Neighbourhoods) • Local Place-making
Sustainable Infrastructure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High Speed 2 • Leeds City Station • Mass Transit • Leeds Bradford Airport • Digital Infrastructure



The Consultation Outcomes

- Material available at www.leeds.gov.uk/lpu
- Innovative on-line techniques used (narrated videos and webinars)
- Considerable reach (including through social media)
- Specific groups (older/younger) and areas (inner city) targeted
- Consultation with Climate Commission as well as Chamber and developers
- Report to DPP November



Next Steps

- Set options for policy development along lines of:
 - A: High impact on cutting carbon but challenging
 - B: Medium impact but deliverable
 - C: Current approach
- Evidence gathering and fit policy outcomes with Carbon Budget
- Continue to talk and engage with those who responded
- Continue to reach those who didn't
- Consult draft policies Spring 2022

Buildings and energy

- Improving the energy efficiency of buildings will save energy users money, help tackle fuel poverty and minimise cold-related illnesses.
- **However, councils do not have the powers or the resources to unilaterally retrofit existing privately owned buildings to the efficiency standard necessary to achieve net zero.**

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The UK's energy supply is getting greener every year and is the biggest market for offshore wind but renewables aren't expected account for 100% by 2030.

- Leeds City Council is committed to increasing the renewable energy supply by: installing solar panels on publicly-owned buildings and private buildings where resources allow; opening Leeds' first solar farm; entering a PPA for the council's own energy demand; expanding the low-carbon district heating network.

Going green

Only ten years ago, more than half of the UK's electricity came from coal. Now coal-free days are increasing and renewables account for more than 30 per cent of total supply

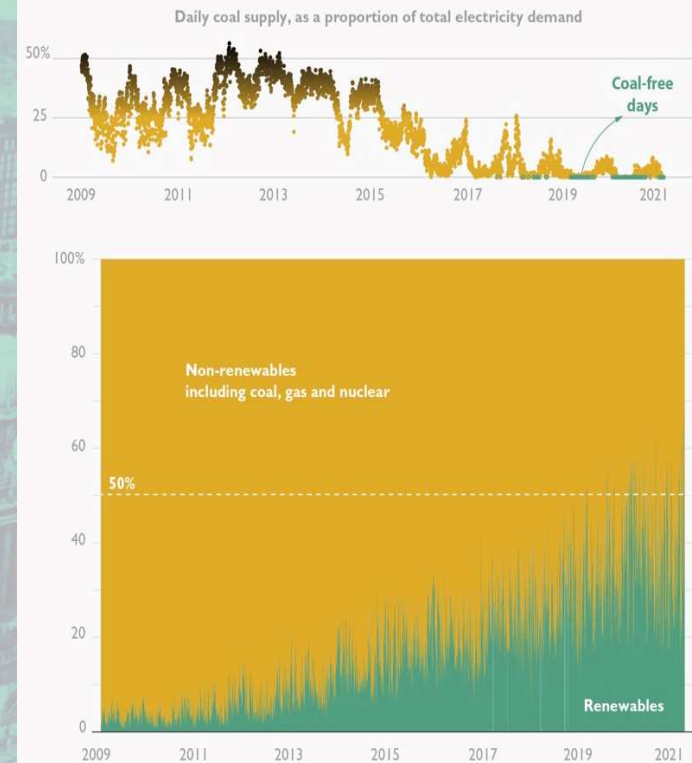


Chart: The Times and the Sunday Times • Source: Drax Electric Insights

Public Sector Decarbonisation Scheme



- The council has secured £25.3 million from the Public Sector Decarbonisation Scheme for green upgrades.
- We're upgrading around 40 public buildings that will cut Leeds' annual carbon footprint by c. 4,000 tonnes.
- This scheme has helped to directly create 27 skilled green jobs in Leeds in 2021, and hundreds more jobs will be indirectly supported.

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What this means for your area:

- Civic Hall and City Museum will receive LED lighting, radiator & BMS improvements, and will be connected to the PIPES network.
- Central Library and Gallery will be connected to the PIPES network.
- Town Hall will receive LED lighting, radiator & BMS improvements, double glazed windows and will be connected to the PIPES network.
- Tribeca House will receive LED lighting and solar panels.
- Rosebank Primary School will receive an air source heat pump and solar panels.

Funded solar and insulation for homeowners

- Low income homeowners and landlords with low income tenants can still apply for free (homeowners) or subsidised (landlords) solar panels and cavity or loft insulation.
- More than 150 households have already benefited. There is still time to apply, but act fast!
- As well as cutting carbon, the upgrades will cut energy bills and could increase property value.

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This scheme could benefit your area:

- Property owners should apply if the total income of inhabitants (tenants or household) earns under £30,000 or receive certain benefits.
- Better Homes Yorkshire will then need to confirm that properties are both eligible (EPC rating D or below) and of suitable construction.
- www.betterhomesyorkshire.co.uk/leeds or call 08005 971500 to apply.



Climate action plan: Transport summary

- **More than a third of the city's carbon footprint comes from travelling for work and leisure** mostly from diesel and petrol cars. Frequent flyers have very large carbon footprints from international flights, however are only a minority of Leeds residents.
- We've set targets (in line with regional strategies) to increase uptake of cycling, rail and bus journeys and we're installing £200m infrastructure to make public transport more attractive and active travel more accessible.
We've given free parking, free vehicle trials and we're installing public charge points to accelerate the transition to zero emission vehicles. We've given £7m to help local businesses switch to cleaner vehicles.
- Our fleet has more zero emission vehicles than any UK local authority already and we're purchasing our first electric refuse vehicles next year. LCC will also phase out staff payments for diesel and petrol miles.
- Leeds is working with WYCA to secure and deliver a modern mass transit system for Leeds and West Yorkshire.
- However, technological development is still needed to decarbonise larger vehicles such as freight, shipping and aviation. More rail investment is needed to phase out diesel trains.



Public transport



City centre



Active travel




Behavioural change

WALK IT. RIDE IT.




CYCLING



"The trick is to make cycling the easy option every morning"

[Read Charlotte's story](#)


CYCLING



"For me, the biggest benefit is that I feel I'm doing myself good"

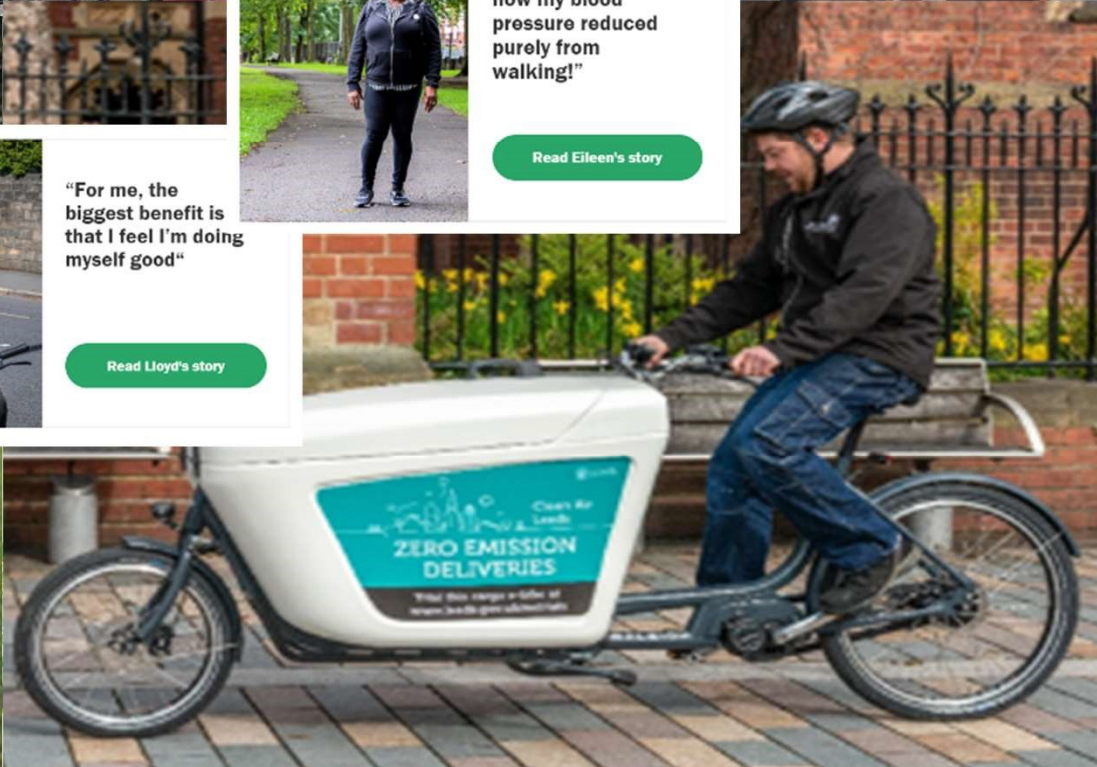
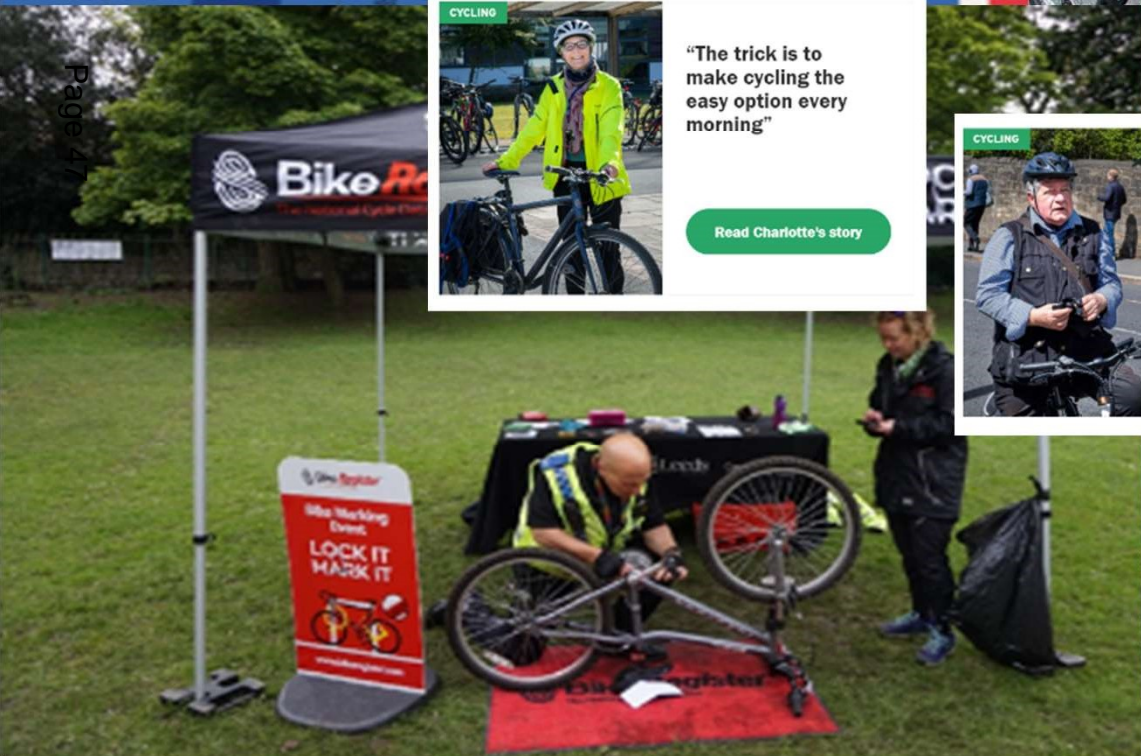
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WALKING



"I was amazed at how my blood pressure reduced purely from walking!"

[Read Eileen's story](#)



Transport strategy & action plan update

Consultation

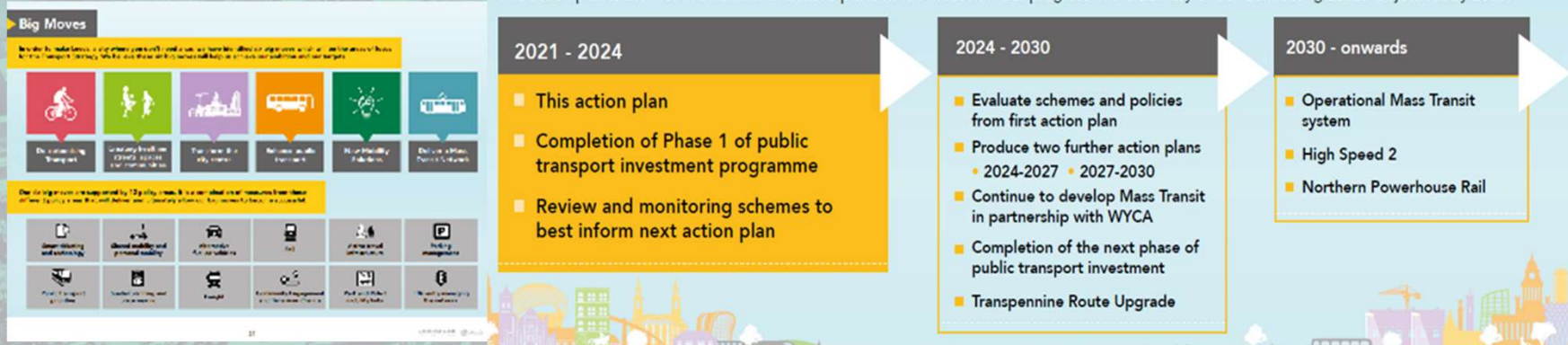
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Timeline

This action plan is the first in a number of actions plans which will review our progress in the delivery of our Connecting Leeds Objectives by 2030.



Electric vehicle trials

- Around 150 businesses, charities and organisations in West Yorkshire have trialled an electric vehicle free of charge for up to two-months since January 2020.
- The scheme has directly replaced 130,000+ diesel/petrol miles with zero emissions and has inspired half of participating organisations to consider switching to electric vehicles.
- Individuals can also take part in our e-bike trial scheme to find out whether an e-bike could conveniently and enjoyably replace some of their journeys by car.
- The number of plug-in vehicles in Leeds has doubled over the last 12 months.

What this means for your area:

- Multiple businesses/charities in your area have already completed their trial of an electric van.
- Two rapid EVCPs have or will soon be installed at Burley Road Car Park (LL&W), Kirkstall Road Car Park (LL&W) thanks to a joint LCC/WYCA scheme in partnership with ENGIE.



Climate action plan: Wildlife summary

- **The UK's biodiversity is under threat, in large part due to habitat destruction. Our greenest, wildest spaces help us capture atmospheric carbon. Protecting wildlife can help us to reach net-zero.**
- We've committed to working with communities, businesses and landowners to practically double the city's tree canopy cover from 17% to 33% by 2050 as a contribution to the White Rose Forest. Last year we planted 200,000 trees on council land.
- We're also planting more wildflower meadows and using relaxed mowing where possible to support pollinating insects. We're introducing new signs explain what these are, funded by sponsors.
- As part of our Flood Alleviation Scheme, we're delivering ambitious natural flood management measures. FAS has already planted 300,000 trees in the River Aire Catchment to reduce the risk of flooding.



New signage for wildlife friendly schemes



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- SEAQ has worked with Parks and Countryside and Communications to develop new signage and make relaxed mowing more visible.
- Parks and Countryside are leading on securing sponsorship and installing signs.
- Similar signs will also be installed in wildflower areas that were formally planted with floral bedding
- Signs are to be installed along the main primary networks.
- Local businesses will be approached to work in partnership with Parks and Countryside.

Help us grow the White Rose Forest

- We've committed to working with communities, businesses and landowners to increase the city's tree canopy cover from 17% to 33% and ensure that no resident lives more than 500m from green space by 2050.
- Woodland and green space captures carbon, provides habitat for wildlife, is linked to improved health and wellbeing, reduces flood risk.
- LCC will plant new trees on council-owned land every year as part of our 'Woodland Creation Scheme'. Last year we planted 200,000 trees on council land.
- We'll support private landowners access funding and advice to help them plant trees on their land and grow the WRF.
- **The White Rose Forest will soon launch its landowner engagement work. We'll need your help to make them aware of the opportunity and support available.**



Climate action plan: Food and Waste

- **The average household in Leeds wastes 200kg of food each year and as a city we throw away 600,000 tonnes of other stuff.** We need to reduce the amount we waste, find ways to shop and eat sustainably and move towards a more circular economy.
- Leeds City Council has committed to cut the carbon footprint of our average meal served or sold by the council in half by 2030. We'll do this by sourcing more food from Yorkshire and surrounding regions, ending air-freighted food imports, making our menus tastier but greener, and cutting kitchen emissions.
- We've virtually eliminated household waste going to landfill. Instead, non-recyclable waste that can't be recycled is used to power our flagship district heating network. This is now providing affordable, low-carbon heat to almost 2,000 homes, businesses and public buildings—cutting emissions from landfill and heating.
- Businesses, waste industry and local organisations came together to trial a new approach to recycling on-the-go in 2018. Our Leeds By Example bins have collected and recycled over 600,000 coffee cups, 55,000 plastic bottles, and 65,000 cans across 124 recycling points. We've recently introduced new ones in town centres.
- We've supported 3rd sector and community organisations introduce innovative recycling schemes for school uniforms, laptops and more.





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Date: 5th January 2021

For decision

Inner North West Community Committee – Finance Report

Purpose of report

1. This report provides the Community Committee with an update on the budget position for the Wellbeing Fund, Youth Activity Fund, Capital Budget, as well as the Community Infrastructure Levy Budget for 2021/22.

Main issues

2. Each Community Committee has been allocated a wellbeing budget (revenue and capital) and Youth Activities Fund which it is responsible for administering. The aim of these budgets is to support the social, economic and environmental wellbeing of the area and provide a range of activities for children and young people, by using the funding to support projects that contribute towards the delivery of local priorities.
3. A group applying to the Wellbeing Fund must fulfil various eligibility criteria, including evidencing appropriate management arrangements and financial controls are in place; have relevant policies to comply with legislation and best practice e.g. safeguarding and equal opportunities and be unable to cover the costs of the project from other funds.
4. Wellbeing funding cannot be paid retrospectively. An application form must be submitted and approved by the Community Committee before activities or items being purchased through wellbeing funding are completed or purchased.

5. The amount of wellbeing funding provided to each committee is calculated using a formula agreed by Council, taking into consideration both population and deprivation of an area.
6. Capital (CRIS) injections are provided as a result of council assets being sold. 5% of the sale price (up to a maximum of £100k) of a council asset is pooled city-wide and redistributed to the Community Committee areas on the basis of deprivation. The Community Committee will receive a new capital injection every 6 months.
7. Each Community Committee has also been allocated a Community Infrastructure Levy budget. For each CIL contribution, Leeds City Council retains up to 70-80% centrally, 5% is needed for administration and 15-25% goes to be spent locally. The money will be vested with the local Town or Parish Council if applicable, or with the local Community Committee and spend decided upon by that body. This local money is known as the 'Neighbourhood Fund' and should be spent on similar projects to the Wellbeing Fund (capital).
8. All Inner North West Members were invited to a workshop on 7 November 2017 to consider how they would like to allocate the CIL Neighbourhood Fund in the INW area. As a result of these discussions, it is recommended that any funds raised through CIL are allocated in line with the current Wellbeing process; with the money to be pooled to be allocated across all three wards. Members agreed this recommendation.
9. Projects eligible for funding by the Community Committee could be community events; environmental improvements; crime prevention initiatives, or opportunities for sport and healthy activities for all ages. In line with the Equality Act 2010, projects funded at public expense should provide services to citizens irrespective of their religion, gender reassignment, marital status, race, ethnic origin, age, sexual orientation or disability; the fund cannot be used to support an organisation's regular business running costs; it cannot fund projects promoting political or religious viewpoints to the exclusion of others; projects must represent good value for money and follow Leeds City Council Financial Regulations and the Council's Spending Money Wisely policy; applications should provide, where possible, three quotes for any works planned and demonstrate how the cost of the project is relative to the scale of beneficiaries; the fund cannot support projects which directly result in the business interests of any members of the organisation making a profit.
10. Any request for funding would involve discussions with appropriate ward members. Where projects do not have support from the Community Committee and are not approved, applicants are offered further discussions and feedback if this is requested.
11. In order to provide further assurance and transparency of all decisions made by the Community Committee, any projects that are not approved will be reported to a subsequent Community Committee meeting.

12. Sometimes urgent decisions may need to be made in between formal Community Committee meetings regarding the administration of Wellbeing and Youth Activity budgets, and also regarding the use of the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Neighbourhood Fund which has been allocated to the Committee. Concurrently with the Committee, designated officers have delegated authority from the Director of Communities, Housing and Environment to take such decisions.
13. The Community Committee has previously approved the following ‘minimum conditions’ in order to reassure Members that all delegated decisions would be taken within an appropriate governance framework, with appropriate Member consultation and only when such conditions have been satisfied:
- consultation must be undertaken with all committee/relevant ward members prior to a delegated decision being taken;
 - a delegated decision must have support from a majority of the community committee elected members represented on the committee (or in the case of funds delegated by a community committee to individual wards, a majority of the ward councillors); and
 - details of any decisions taken under such delegated authority will be reported to the next available community committee meeting for members’ information.

The Committee is invited to review the conditions previously agreed and consider whether any amendments are required, prior to agreeing such conditions for operation in the forthcoming municipal year.

14. Members are reminded that the necessary scrutiny of applications to satisfy our own processes, financial regulations and audit requires the deadline for receipt of completed applications to be at least five weeks prior to any Community Committee. Some applications will be approved via Delegated Decision Notice (DDN) following consultation with Members outside of the Community Committee meeting cycle.

Wellbeing Budget Position 2021/22

15. The total revenue budget approved by Executive Board for 2021/22 was **£94,030** for the Inner North West Community Committee. **Table 1** shows a carry forward figure of **£29,679** which includes underspends from projects completed in 2020//21. The total revenue funding available to the Community Committee for 2021/22 is therefore **£123,709**.
16. It is possible that some of the projects may not use their allocated spend. This could be for several reasons, including the project no longer going ahead, the project not taking place within the dates specified in the funding agreement, or failure to submit monitoring reports. Due to this the final revenue balance may be greater than the amount specified in Table 1.
17. The Community Committee is asked to note that there is currently a remaining balance of **£1,290.41** A full breakdown of the projects is listed in Table 1.

Table 1: Wellbeing Revenue 2021/22

	£
INCOME:2021/22	£94,030
Balance brought forward from previous year	£29,679
TOTAL AVAILABLE: 2021/22	£123,709

	£
Ward Projects	
Small Grants and Skips	£3,000
Community Engagement	£3,000
COVID 19	£15,000
YAF Summit	£1,200
Wilderness on your doorstep	£7,350
Leeds City Academy Youth Worker Support	£7,893.60
Money Buddies & Room Hire Costs	£24,450
Luttrell Outdoors Experiences	£3,000
Woodhouse Moor Tennis	£1,064.99
Cardigan Centre Older Persons Commissioned Project	£11,860
Festive Lights	£12,500
Woodhouse Moor Bye Law Enforcement	£10,597
Woodsley Women's Project	£10,000
Big Clear Out 2021	£1,000
Infant Safer Sleeping Commissioned Project	£4,028
Poetry in primary schools	£2,100
Dress for Success	£500
Unorthobox	£500
Art Camp 3 Half Terms	£3,375
Totals	£122,418.49
Balance remaining (Total)	£1,290.41

Covid Funding 21/22 £15,000 pot agreed £5,000 per ward

Little London & Woodhouse	Headingley & Hyde Park	Weetwood
£500 Woodsley Food Support	£500 Woodsley Food Support	£2,880 Asda Vouchers
£500 Little London Christmas Event		
£200 Single Parent Event		
Balance: £3,414.47	Balance: £4,500	Balance: £2,120

New Applications: For Consideration for in principle decisions due to funding availability:

University ASB Dedicated Resource INW: £21,153.67

This project will run over 3 years to complement the funding agreed by Leeds University and Leeds Beckett University focussed on reducing student related anti-social behaviour and noise nuisance and improving community cohesion. The University funding will provide a new hybrid vehicle, however the funding will not cover a number of operational and ongoing costs. The first part spread over 3 years will deliver vehicle maintenance fuel and device contracts. The estimated finding required is £5,504 per year x 3 years = £16,512.

The second part of the application is to cover a one off payment to provide the essential communication devices and uniform etc: Estimated funding required: £4,641.67

Total Costs: £21,153.67

Year 1 £10,145.67

Year 2 £5,504.00

Year 3 £5,504.00

Inner North West Pedal Cycle Security: £5840 . This application has come from West Yorkshire Police.

This project will purchase 2,000 Selectamark products, these products are fitted to cycles at events and the code registered on the National Cycle Database. The funding would allow for 2,000 pedal cycles to be registered. 152 cycles have been reported stolen across the INW CC area over the past 12 months. WYP Digital Policing Department has enabled a secure portal on Officers' handheld devices, meaning if a stolen bicycle is recovered the Police can immediately identify the owner. Also, any Police Officer can scan a bicycle and determine ownership which is useful if someone is seen riding a bicycle believed to be stolen. The Police believe that a bicycle with this marking is less likely to be stolen and far more likely to be returned to the owner if it is recovered after a theft.

Delegated Decisions (DDN)

18. Since the last Inner North West Consultative Community Committee on 29 September 2021 the following decisions were made by DDN. Capital Project: All Hallows £7,000 and CiL Project All Hallows £28,000. A further DDN for another £8,000 CIL for All Hallows was signed off by DDN following the failure of the INW HAP bid.

Monitoring Information

19. As part of their funding agreements, all projects which have had funding approved by the Community Committee are required to provide update reports on the progress of their project. These reports are so that the Community Committee can measure the impact the project has had on the community and the value for money achieved.

20. Monitoring information will be provided for the next committee meeting.

Youth Activities Fund Position 2021/22

21. The total available for spend in Inner North West Community Committee in 2020/21 including carry forward from previous year, was **£28,091.07**

22. The Community Committee is asked to note that so far, a total of **£28,480** has been allocated to projects, as listed in **Table 2**.

23. The Community Committee is asked to note that there is a balance of £7:82in the Youth Activity Fund. A full breakdown of the projects is available on request.

Table 2: Youth Activities Fund 2021/22

Income	£
Carried forward from previous year 2020/21	£7,274.77
New YAF budget allocation for 2021/22	£24,790
Schemes approved in previous year to be delivered this year 2020/21	£3,973.70
Total available budget for this year 2021/22	£28,091.07

Projects 2021	Amount Approved
Art Camp Eggstravaganza	£1,470.00
The Welcome Inn Youth Group	£8,855.00
Hyde Park Active	£4,000.00
Leeds Hyde Park Football Season 2021/2022	£4,000.00
Weetwood Youth Project	£1,435.00
INW Holiday Project	£2,020.00
Jungle Kids	£3,500
Super Summer Art Camp	£3,200
Total spend against projects	£28,480
Balance remaining	£7.82

Small Grants Budget & Skips 2021/22

24. At the last Community Committee on 3 March 2021 ward members approved a budget of **£3,000**. There is currently a remaining balance of **£965.43** detailed in **Table 3**.

Table 3: Small Grants & Skips 2021/22

Project	Organisation/Dept	Ward (s)	Amount Approved
Prince Philip Centre Friday PHAB Club	Prince Philip Centre PHAB Club	Headingley & Hyde Park Little London & Woodhouse Weetwood	£422.79
Irish Arts & Cultural activities in Headingley & Hyde Park 2021-22	Leeds Irish Arts Foundation	Headingley & Hyde Park	£500.00
Art Camp (June Half term)	Art Camp UK	Headingley & Hyde Park, Little London & Woodhouse	£560.00
Jungle Kids (June Half term)	Jungle Kids Ltd	Weetwood	£375.00
Skip	Hollin Lane Allotments	Weetwood	£176.78
Summer Project	Jungle Kids	Weetwood	£500
Summer Project	Youth Movement Against Violence	Weetwood	£500
Carbon Free Street Fair	Zero Carbon Headingley	Headingley & Hyde Park	£500

Dance Project at Cardigan Centre	Commissioned Project	Headingley & Hyde Park , Little London & Woodhouse	£749
Skip	Ash Road Allotments	Headingley & Hyde Pak	£209.41
Totals			£4,492.98
Small Grant & Skips Balance			-£1,492.98

Capital Budget 2021/22

25. The Inner North West has a capital budget of **£21,142.47** available to spend, as a result of capital injections. Members are asked to note the capital allocation in **Table 4**.

TABLE 4: Capital 2021/22

	£
Capital Injection May 2021	£10,700
Starting total	£25,998.32
Capital Injection October 2021	£2,900
Your Pantry at Meanwood Community Centre	£4,855.85
Balance remaining	£24,042.47

New Application- All Hallows/Rainbow Junktion £7,000

All Hallows/Rainbow Junktion requires a complete new roof to cover both the church and café/community building . The organisation is currently £120k short of the required total. All Hallows/Rainbow Junktion serves the community of Hyde Park with pay as you feel meals, advice sessions, signposting and many community activities. Rainbow Junktion currently has over 50 volunteers supporting their activities.

A copy of the full application is available on request. **This project was agreed at the last INW CC meeting in September, it is currently pending with Helen Hynes.**

New Application , HAP Project Lighting Project Raynel Garth Weetwood Ward £3,887.04 (£4,000 also requested from HAP)

Installation of 1 lighting column at Raynel Garth behind the garage area to provide a safe place to park cars for residents and visitors to the area. This lighting will serve as a deterrent for any unlawful activity and ASB.

This measure will help improve ASB taking place in the area, improve the living conditions of all the tenants and residents and the health & wellbeing of the tenant and residents living in the area.

Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Budget 2020/21

26. The Community Committee is asked to note that as of June 2021 there is **£123,255.70** total available to the committee. There is currently a remaining balance of **£121,867.78** detailed in **Table 5**.

TABLE 5: CIL 2021/22

	£
Budget as of May 21	£123,255.70
St Mark's Woodhouse Ecological Survey	£1,387.92
Balance remaining	£121,867.78

New Application- All Hallows/Rainbow Junktion £36,000 (The original bid for £28,000 was agreed at the September INW CC meeting . A further £8,000 was agreed by DDN due to the failure to secure HAP funding .

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Corporate Considerations

Consultation and Engagement

27. The Community Committee has previously been consulted on the projects detailed within the report.

Equality and Diversity/Cohesion and Integration

28. All wellbeing funded projects are assessed in relation to Equality, Diversity, Cohesion and Integration. In addition, the Communities Team ensures that the wellbeing process complies with all relevant policies and legislation.

Council Polices and City Priorities

29. Projects submitted to the Community Committee for wellbeing funding are assessed to ensure that they are in line with Council and City priorities as set out in the following documents:

1. Vision for Leeds 2011 – 30
2. Best City Plan
3. Health and Wellbeing City Priorities Plan
4. Children and Young People's Plan

5. Safer and Stronger Communities Plan
6. Leeds Inclusive Growth Strategy

Resources and Value for Money

30. Aligning the distribution of community wellbeing funding to local priorities will help to ensure that the maximum benefit can be provided.

Legal Implications, Access to Information and Call In

31. There are no legal implications or access to information issues. This report is not subject to call in.

Risk Management

32. Risk implications and mitigation are considered on all wellbeing applications. Projects are assessed to ensure that applicants are able to deliver the intended benefits.

Conclusion

33. The Finance Report provides up to date information on the Community Committee's budget position.

Recommendations

34. Members are asked to note:

- a. Details of the Wellbeing Budget position (Table 1)
- b. Review of the minimum conditions (paragraph 13)
- c. Monitoring information of its funded projects (paragraph 27)
- d. Details of the Youth Activities Fund (YAF) position (Table 2)
- e. Details of the Small Grants & Skips Budget (Table 3)
- f. Details of the Capital Budget (Table 4)
- g. Details of Community Infrastructure Levy (Table 5)

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Report to: Inner North West Community Committee
(Headingley & Hyde Park, Little London & Woodhouse and Weetwood)

Report author: Marcia Cunningham **Tel:** 07545604317

Date: 5th January 2022 **For information**

Inner North West Community Committee Update Report

Purpose of report

1. To bring to members' attention an update of the work which the Communities Team is engaged in, based on priorities identified by the Community Committee. It also provides opportunities for further questioning, or to request a more detailed report on a particular issue.
2. This report provides regular updates on some of the key activities between Community Committee meetings and functions delegated to Community Committees, Community Champions roles, community engagement, partnership and locality working.

Updates by theme

Children and Families: Champion Cllr Pryor

3. The Children & Families Sub- Group has met several times to finalise the youth engagement workshops for Schools in place of the YAF summit. 7 Schools across all 3 wards have responded positively. The workshops will take place in Schools during January and the beginning of February. The priorities identified by young people will be used to influence the YAF spend for 2022/23.

Environmental: Champion Cllr Garthwaite

4. The anti-graffiti project is ongoing in the Thornvilles. The Universities have offered additional support for the Big Clear Out Project 2022 and the first planning meeting will take place in January

Health and Well-Being: Champion Cllr Walshaw

5. November/December A pop-up vaccination centre is planned at Oblong Community Centre for the 6/7/14 December.
6. Winter Planning: Cold weather presents risks to certain groups and living with Covid-19 can add and pose additional risk to those who are clinically and socially vulnerable. This includes: Pregnant Women, People living with frailty, People with long-term conditions, Those who are clinically extremely vulnerable, Children under 5 years

Becoming a Workforce Winter Friend: Anybody working or volunteering in Leeds is encouraged to familiarise themselves with the nine-evidence based, high impact interventions to support their colleagues, service users, friends and families stay safe. The short 15-minute animation is [available to watch here](#), and is being refreshed for 2021, due to be launched mid-November. It includes information and signposting for influenza vaccines (being updated to include COVID-19 too), checking medications, keeping your home warm, physical activity, hot food and drink, and social connectedness.

Winter Wellbeing Checklists: to support winter friends and the wider workforce to have proactive conversations about winter, [Winter Wellbeing Checklists](#) are available for adults and for children and families. They are a useful tool to help those 'at risk' of illness due to cold weather access available key support and services.

7. Vitamin D: Around one in five people in the UK have low levels of vitamin D, especially older adults, pregnant and breastfeeding people, infants and people with darker skin. Vitamin D is essential for good health. It affects people's bones, teeth, muscles as well as mental health and immune systems. The winter shorter hours of daylight and sunlight does not contain enough UVB radiation for our skin to make vitamin D. Public Health have developed a short animation to promote these key messages as part of the winter plan.

The resources we have are as follows:

8. The short animation: <https://youtu.be/xWHAGS-26aE>
9. Updated information on the PHRC website, including the video and links to other resources (under *Eating Well*): [Public Health Resource Centre](#)
10. Printed copies of the [public-facing BDA Fact Sheet](#) available at the PHRC, with easy-read versions in development

Updates from Key Services

Cleaner Neighbourhoods Team Headingley & Hyde Park + Little London & Woodhouse Wards

- **Top 10 job types**

Count of REFVAL	Column Labels		
Row Labels	Headingley & Hyde Park	Little London & Woodhouse	Grand Total
Fly Tip	91	58	149
Flytipping	16	21	37
Footpath Sweeping	5	11	16
Graffiti	45	15	60
Litter bag collection	19	4	23
Litter Complaint	11	11	22
Road Sweeping	14	11	25
Rodents	9	6	15
Scheduled Bulky Collection	48	29	77
Waste in Gardens	30	10	40

- PSPO: First priority of the team has been to bring the PSPO to an enforceable standard with more signage and warnings to residents and landlords in order to begin patrols. The first area targeted has been the Headingleys and the Estcourts where enforcement proceedings have now begun. To date 143 1st warnings and 23 section 46 notices (final warning) have been served. Parking obstruction is causing issues with missed bin collections which in turn brings enforcement work to a stop until rectified. The team is in communication with waste management to rectify these issues.
- Street Cleansing: First priority is the clearance of bin areas which is a massive task. The aim is to lock up unregistered bin yards which are being used as dumping grounds rather than to house wheelie bins. The team has identified 50 problem bin yards which are being worked through..
 - The team are also carrying out regular cleansing, such as litter picking, emptying litter bins and removing fly tips.
 - Over the bonfire period the team cleared fly tipping and flammable waste in order to keep the community safe .
- De-leafing: The team is on track to have the majority of leaf fall swept and cleared before Christmas. The number of parked cars in some areas is preventing the machines from sweeping, it is hoped to clear these following the end of term when the majority of students should leave the area for Christmas.
- Enforcement and Education: The service has struggled with staffing levels over the last year due to promotions and sickness. In the New Year, the team will be staffed with 2 officers for the wards which will help with enforcement of the PSPO and tackling environmental issues. Education based Street Wardens are also now working in the area engaging with residents around behaviour change mainly around side waste and waste in gardens.
- New Team Leader: Connor Webb: connor.webb@leeds.gov.uk or 07891273498

Housing Leeds

11. Annual Home contacts: The new annual tenancy check in programme has launched, this check takes place either face to face, on the telephone or online dependent upon

the tenant's circumstances. Letters/emails have been sent to a pilot group of 1000 tenants who have been chosen to have an online check-in with a 50% return rate.

Priority visits have been identified for those classed as vulnerable and local teams are working to organise these to ensure they are OK and have the correct support in place.

Estate Management and Walkabouts:

All walkabouts have been arranged and dates confirmed, ward councillors and tenant representatives are invited to attend. Grass cutting has now ceased for the year and contractors are commencing winter works.

Block Inspection and High Rise Feedback:

Weekly Block Sweeps are carried out on all High Rise blocks. These inspections assist with improvement works such as identifying repairs. Anyone wanting to get involved or become a Block Champion should contact housing: housinginvolvement@leeds.gov.uk

Low Rise Block inspections are also being carried out on a quarterly basis.

Fire Safety:

Daily stage 1 fire safety reports are received from cleaning contractors and actioned. Monthly stage 2 fire safety checks are also carried out with all findings reported.

Anti-Social Behaviour:

There has been a reduction in the number of complaints related to noise nuisance since lockdowns were lifted

Moor Grange Court – Weetwood:

Moor Grange Court is currently being surveyed as one of the next blocks to have the new Ground Source Heat Pumps (GSHP) installed. This work should start in the New Year.

Housing Advisory Panel

12. Update on projects funded by the Inner North West HAP

The Inner North West has a new Tenant Engagement Officer, Amena Khaliq. In terms of HAP Bids, there is a current one for a lighting column in the Weetwood area and a few potential HAPs for a bin store and a potential garage site.

Employment and Skills – Champion Cllr Kayleigh Brooks No Update Due

Project updates:

Money Buddies

Figures from April 2021 to November 2021

Centre	Attendances	Target	Clients seen	Financial Gains
Opal	17	94%	44	£58,449.78
St Pauls	16	94%	48	£57,710.11
Meanwood	34	94%	72	£43,437.12
Little London	11	92%	126	£191,449.47
Woodsley Road	13	92%	16	£42,053.56
Heart Café	30	88%	49	£10,127.47
	121	93%	335	£211,788.04

Case Studies:

Case 1:- Jordan Townsend MD/DR-297 client called in to a centre referred to us by local PCSO as he had had his wallet stolen and he had no money for two weeks he has no money for food and has two children. He also has rent arrears so would like some help with this he has an arrangement to pay these but this is leaving him short on a weekly basis. A debt appointment has been booked for the client and a food voucher has been issued to see him through to the next benefit payment.

Case 2:- AD/ND-526 - Client separated from her partner 2 years ago which then left her having to claiming benefits and he left her with the debts. She has three dependent children. Client has debts with catalogues which she now can't afford to pay. Some debts are taken out of her benefits, this is leaving her with no money to pay essential bills. She has over £6,000 worth of debt including £1,900 of energy debt so when she tops up she is having a deduction for this debt before any credit, this client was put on breathing space to allow her to organise her situation and apply for a Debt Relief Order which will clear her debt and give her a clean break to start again. Client was issued a family fuel voucher to top up her electric. She said she was very grateful and at least her "children would be warm tonight".

Case 3:- AD/JO-284 -Client was referred to us by a social prescriber as Client suffers from long term health condition and disability that, has prevented her from working for more than 2 years as a result of this she has incurred debt. Client was unaware that she would be eligible for any disability benefit but now she has a support worker helping her to claim what she may be entitled to. Client lives in private accommodation and Universal Credit does not pay enough to cover for her outgoing bills and food. Client has a debt appointment booked and was issued a fuel voucher to help her have power till her next payment is due. Client is waiting to be rehoused by the council which should help her situation when this happens.

The Elders Project

The group is meeting every Tuesday in the morning for the drop in. Conversations are taking place around bonding as a group where they are sharing culinary skills and cooking dishes from different cultures.

In partnership with Hyde Park Source the group is designing the Secret Garden at the back of the Centre (see plans). The build has started and it's going to be a very tranquil place for the group to have activities in once completed.

In the afternoon we have the Pilates class with an average attendance of 10/12 people all over 50 years, People are all from a diverse background. They exercises are mindfulness and stimulating. At the end they have a bit of a social over Tea/Coffee.

We are working with Pamela Crowe a local artist who has been commissioned as part of Leeds 2023 Year of Culture to run a word press for the Hyde Park and Headingley area. We have met this week with the plan to explore publishing a book about the area the group live in with the theme around belonging. This is very exciting as we have people with various skills from the group who have shown a lot of interest going forward. **Watch this space!!**



The Group trying Lancashire Peas



The Plan for the Secret Garden at the back of the Cardigan Community Centre

Social Media

13. Between 10th November and 7th December 2021 The Inner North West Facebook Page top Facebook post was Christmas Bin Collections posted on 3rd December which reached 68 people with 9 engagements. The average reach for most posts is between 30-50. Total page likes = 643 up 13 on the previous period. Total page followers= 839 up 26 on the previous period.

Corporate Considerations

Consultation and Engagement

14. The Community Committee has, where applicable, been consulted on information

Equality and Diversity/Cohesion and Integration

15. All work that the Communities Team are involved in is assessed in relation to Equality, Diversity, Cohesion and Integration. In addition, the Communities Team ensures that the wellbeing process for funding of projects complies with all relevant policies and legislation.

Council Polices and City Priorities

16. Projects that the Communities Team are involved in are assessed to ensure that they are in line with Council and City priorities as set out in the following documents:

17. Vision for Leeds 2011 – 30

18. Best City Plan

19. Health and Wellbeing City Priorities Plan

20. Children and Young People's Plan

21. Safer and Stronger Communities Plan

22. Leeds Inclusive Growth Strategy

Resources and Value for Money

23. Aligning the distribution of community wellbeing funding to local priorities will help to ensure that the maximum benefit can be provided.

Legal Implications, Access to Information and Call In

24. There are no legal implications or access to information issues. This report is not subject to call in.

Risk Management

65. Risk implications and mitigation are considered on all projects and wellbeing applications. Projects are assessed to ensure that applicants are able to deliver the intended benefits.

Conclusions

25. The report provides up to date information on key areas of work for the Community Committee.